

MINUTES FROM RAPPAHANNOCK COUNTY DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE MEETING

August 2, 2016

APPROVAL OF MINUTES- The meeting was opened at 7:30 p.m. by Greg Ludlow, Vice Chair, as Ross O'Donoghue was on vacation. The minutes were approved unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT- Bruce Sloane, Treasurer, reported a balance of \$430.00 in the bank. There have been several recent expenditures related to the upcoming Yard Sale.

Old Business-

FESTIVE PROGRESSIVES- The July event was not well attended. Only 8 people attended.

YARD SALE- Andy Platt and Jan Makela were there to bring us up to date on preparations for the sale. They will need help with pick-ups of donations. Emails will be sent to encourage all Democrats to donate items. Jan gave the dates on which help will be needed. She asked for willing volunteers to call.

CANVASSING- Greg Ludlow said we would target good Democrats, those leading towards giving support, and independents. He is working out a schedule of canvassing volunteers for the 6 Rappahannock County precincts. He has prepared a packet of informational materials and forms for each precinct coordinator. There will be a meeting of the canvassers preceding our meeting on September 6th. It will start at 6:30 p.m.

New Business-

MIKE HAGERTY- Hillary's local campaign coordinator, was introduced. He gave us a brief biographical sketch. His early years necessitated help from various social programs which had federal funding. Hillary worked on such programs, and now he wants to help her. His job entails daily work with phone banks, interns and volunteers. He has no yard signs and buttons to give us right now. He works with the office in Culpeper, which is not in Rappahannock's congressional district. Hank Gorfein voiced his opinion that our 5th District work should come from an office that supports our congressional candidate.

FALL FUNDRAISER- There was a discussion of where and when to have this. The possibility of holding it at the Little Washington Winery was discussed. Greg will speak to Patty Haling about the best time to do this. There was a motion by Ralph Bates to have the fundraising event as early as possible so that the money generated by the fundraiser could be used by the Dittmar campaign in a timely fashion before the election.

MEETING IN WARRENTON- Hank Gorfein attended a meeting of representatives of Fauquier, Madison and Rappahannock counties. They wondered what we could do in the 5th District to win in November. Hank gave the numbers of votes needed to win in Rappahannock.

RALPH BATES- Ralph spoke at the end of the meeting to ask each of us to have media contact with our friends and urge them to support Hillary. He expressed great concern about the effects of possibly losing this election.

Meeting Adjourned